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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Before the first action in this case, please amend this application as follows. A marked up copy of the amendments to the specification can be found in the attached Appendix.

In The Specification

Page 1, cancel the paragraph at lines 4-9 and substitute the following.

This application is a continuation of application No. 09/900,801 filed July 6, 2001, which application is a continuation of application No. 09/366,360 filed June 18, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,270,464 issued August 7, 2001, which application claims the benefit of the following Provisional patent applications. Biopsy Localization Device, Application No. 60/090,243, filed June 22, 1998; Biopsy Localization and Hemostasis Device, Application No. 60/092,734, filed July 14, 1998; Device and Method of Biopsy Localization and Hemostasis, Application No. 60/114,863, filed January 6, 1999; and Device and Method of Biopsy Localization, Hemostasis & Cancer Therapy, Application No. 60/117,421, filed January 27, 1999.

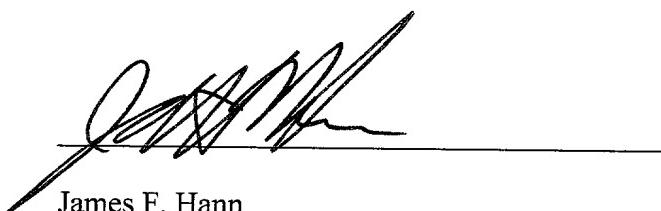
REMARKS

Claim 1 is similar to but broader than claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,270,464.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conversation would aid the prosecution of this case in any way, please call James F. Hann, Reg. No. 29,719, an attorney a record in this case, at (650) 712-0340.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

The following is a marked up copy of the amended paragraph at lines 4-9 from page 1 of the specification.

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